FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S. 262

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board ANALYSTS: Rodney Grizzle and Harry Bell DATE: February 1, 2005 SBD: 2005105 **AUTHOR:** Senator Sheheen PRIMARY CODE CITE: 17-22-300 SUBJECT: Traffic Diversion Program Act

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 262 amends Chapter 22, Title 17 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Article 3, which allows each solicitor or appropriate municipality or county, with the approval of the solicitor, to create a Traffic Diversion Program.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Prosecution Coordination Commission and the Department of Motor Vehicles indicate there will be no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, nor on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Responses from local governments indicate enactment would likely have minimal impact on local expenditures. However, there are potential additional personal service costs depending on the volume of cases involved.

SPECIAL NOTES:

Section 17-22-350 of the Bill allows for a non-refundable fee for the Traffic Diversion Program. This fee must no exceed One-Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00).

Approved by:

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